

Prayers for the persecuted church during Holy Week



Monday 28 March. Pray for Christians imprisoned specifically for their faith. Ask the Lord to strengthen them in body and spirit and fill them with courage and peace, and to sustain their families with His provision and hope during this season of separation

Tuesday 29 March. Pray for families who have lost loved ones in the war in the Middle East, especially for children who have lost a father, mother or both. Ask the Lord to draw near to and comfort bereaved Christian families so that they can comfort others with the comfort they have received from God (2 Corinthians 1:4).

Wednesday 1 April As we turn to the cross this week, pray that persecuted believers will be able to 'rejoice inasmuch as [they] participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that [they] may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed' (1 Peter 4:13).

Maundy Thursday - 2 April Pray for protection as believers meet to worship over the Easter weekend. Pray that the plans of the enemy to interrupt these precious gatherings will be foiled and Christians would know the 'perfect peace' that comes from trusting in Jesus (Isaiah 26:3).

Good Friday - 3 April "Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end" (John 13:1). As persecuted Christians gather to remember the death of Jesus, pray that His love will comfort them in their suffering. Pray that this would help them love their persecutors.

Holy Saturday - 4 April As the disciples fearfully hid after Jesus' death, many believers must keep their faith secret, yearning for Christ's return. Pray that they would know peace in their circumstances and hope for the new creation.

Easter Sunday - 5 April "He is not here; he has risen!" said the angels to the women who followed Jesus (Luke 24:6). Praise God for eternal life in the Lord Jesus! Pray that the joy of believers would be reignited today as they celebrate Jesus' victory over death.

For more information go to <https://www.opendoorsuk.org>

Ringstone in Aveland News Sheet 29 March Palm Sunday



We welcome Revd Sylvia Rice-Oxley and thank her for leading our services today

Psalm 118.19-end

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

**You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God, I will extol you.**

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and for evermore, Amen

The Collect for this Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

The Prayer after Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father. **Amen**



Please pray for...

Clifford Hitchens, Jane Nichols, Jonathan Newell, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Marie Rose Cubacub, Christine Evans, Sue Grainge, Annie Hall, Clive Hall, Robert Hitchens, Jane Knight, Imogen Matthews, Pat Reid, John Rowntree, Maggie Sharman, Amanda Thomson, Clive Walker, Judy Watson, Kevin Whitfield, King Charles III, and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We remember Eben Atkinson, and the souls of all the faithful departed. May they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we pray for those who mourn their

Anniversaries...

Baptism Anniversaries: Charlie Hopkinson (1 year)

Funeral anniversaries: David Scotney, Norma Worth, Beryl Grange (1 year); Margaret Winter, Audrey Gray, Sophie Sandford (2 years); Arthur Jeffrys (3 years)



Readings for this Sunday
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 27.11-54



Did you know?.....

If you find it difficult (or forget) to bring things to leave in our drop off bin at the back of the church, you can go to the Foodbank website, and purchase items which will then be available in the foodbank. **Go to <https://bournefoodbank.org.uk/how-to-help>**

These are a few of the things that are running low. Can you help?

Shampoo

Deodorant (M)

Pasta Sauce

Tinned Meat

UHT Milk

Washing Powder

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Sunday and regular weekday Services in the Ringstone and Corby Glen combined Groups

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| Sunday 29 March | 11.00am | Eucharist | Dunsby |
| | 4.00pm | Corby Group HC | Irnhem |
| Sunday 5 April | 9.00am | Holy Communion | Swayfield |
| Easter Sunday | 10.00am | Holy Communion | Corby Glen |
| | 10.30am | Easter Hymns & Prayers | Dunsby |
| | 11.00am | Eucharist | Morton |
| | 11.00am | Morning Prayers | Irnhem |
| | 6.00pm | Eucharist | Rippingale |
| Wednesday Services | 10.00am | Morning Prayer | Morton |

Additional Services

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| Friday 3 April 2026 – Good Friday | 2.00pm | Hour at the Cross | Morton |
| Tuesday 7 April | 7pm | Licensing of Revd Helen Roulston | Morton |

A Prayer for Holy Week

Lord Jesus, this Holy Week, we follow you on your sorrowful and glorious journey to the Cross and Resurrection. As you were welcomed with joy, yet betrayed by the crowds, and ultimately made yourself a servant taking the sins of the world upon yourself, we ask for the grace to walk with you.

Help us to see the deep love you show us. When we face suffering and disappointment, may we know your love. When we are feeling lost, may we know that you are with us.

Make this week a time of renewal in our faith. Teach us to serve others as you served us, and bring us to the joy of your Resurrection.

Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

